clearance for specified industries, management of municipal & bio-medical wastes, promotion of cleaner technologies, strengthening of the net-work of air & water quality monitoring stations, assessment of pollution load& source apportionment studies, preparation and implementation of action plans for major cities and critically polluted areas.

Implementation of Swaminathan Committee Report

1236. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2954 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 12th May, 2006 and state:

(a) what action Government have, so far, taken to implement the recommendation of Professor M.S. Swaminathan Committee Report for the protection of life and property in the coastal areas from natural hazards; and

(b) the details of results achieved on the implementation of the said report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) The methodology for demarcation of vulnerability line has been finalized. Four coastal stretches namely, Paradeep (Orissa), Dahej (Gujarat), Nellore (Andhra Pradesh) and Mumbai (Maharashtra) has been identified for pilot studies which has been assigned to Space Application Centre, Ahmedabad. A project has been sanctioned for preparing a National Action Plan for control of pollution of coastal waters from land based activities. A new plan scheme has been proposed as an extremely aided project for implementation of various recommendations.

(b) Elevation maps of the above four identified coastal stretches obtained from Survey of India. Space Application Centre, Ahmedabad have informed that they have completed the mapping of the vulnerability line in two stretches namely, Paradeep and Nellore. Interim report of the National Action Plan for control of pollution of coastal waters from land based activities has been received from consultant in June, 2006.